

Dorchester Town Council

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Wednesday, 2 July 2025

Agenda for the meeting of the **Planning and Environment Committee** which will be held in the **Council Chamber, the Municipal Buildings, High East Street, Dorchester, DT1 1HF** on **Monday, 7 July 2025, commencing at 7.00pm.**

Steve Newman Town Clerk

Public Attendance and Speaking at the Meeting

The Chair has discretion to allow members of the public to speak at the meeting. If you wish to speak please contact the Clerk by 9.00am on the morning of the meeting. We ask speakers to confine their comments to the matter in hand and to be as brief as possible.

Member Code of Conduct: Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded that it is their responsibility to disclose interests where appropriate. A Member who declares any interest must leave the room. A Member who declares a registerable interest as a Council nominee to a partner organisation may first address the meeting as a member of the public.

Membership of the Committee

Councillors A. Canning (the Mayor ex-officio), R. Biggs, S. Biles, P. Farmer, L. Fry (Vice Chair), J. Germodo, J. Hewitt, F. Hogwood, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger, D. Leaper, V. Lloyd-Jones, R. Major, R.Potter, M. Rennie and R. Ricardo (Chair).

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest

It is recommended that twin hatted Councillors make a statement regarding their participation in the consideration of planning applications at this agenda item.

2. Minutes

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 2 June 2025. The minutes of the meeting can be found at https://www.dorchester-tc.gov.uk/docs//Planning/250602-Minutes.pdf

3. Planning Applications for Comment

To receive and comment on the planning applications received from Dorset Council (attached).

4. Minute Update Report

To note and consider the minute updates reported (attached).

5. Planning Issues to Note

To note any planning related issues including decisions made by Dorset Council on planning applications (contrary to Dorchester Town Council's comments), withdrawn applications and others.

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Agenda Item 3
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Planning Applications for Comment

East Ward (Councillors P. Farmer, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger and R. Major)

E1. P/FUL/2025/03069 92 High Street Fordington Dorchester DT1 1LD

Change of use of building from Public House to Restaurant. Retain convert garage to kitchen, external alterations and redecorated of render.

E2. P/HOU/2025/01667 6 Louds Piece Dorchester DT1 2FF

Erect single-storey rear extension.

E3. P/FUL/2025/03463 Fordington Cemetery Kings Road Dorchester

Partial rebuild of the boundary/retaining wall to Fordington Cemetery.

As Dorchester Town Council is the applicant, no comment will be made on this application.

E4 P/VOC/2025/03628 21 Icen Way Dorchester DT1 1ER

Erect rear single storey extension (with variation of conditions 2 to amend approved plans of planning permission P/HOU/2024/07110)

North Ward (Councillors S. Biles, A. Canning and V. Lloyd-Jones)

N1. P/ADV/2025/03071 62 High West Street Dorchester DT1 1UY

Display 1no. non-illuminated fascia sign.

N2. P/FUL/2025/03070 62 High West Street Dorchester DT1 1UY

Installation of two external grilles

N3. P/LBC/2025/03068 62 High West Street Dorchester DT1 1UY

Installation of air conditioning and erect new signage.

West Ward (Councillors L. Fry, J. Germodo, J. Hewitt and R. Ricardo)

W1. P/VOC/2025/02733 Dorset County Hospital Williams Avenue Dorchester DT1 2JY

New Hospitals Project including a new Emergency Department, a new 24 bed Critical Care Department and replacement helipad at roof level (with variation to Condition No. 1 of Reserved Matters Approval No. P/RES/2023/03565 to amend the approved plans).

W2. P/HOU/2025/03582 4 Treves Road Dorchester DT1 2HD

Demolish existing single storey extension and conservatory. Erect two storey rear extension.

W3. P/HOU/2025/03675 4 Apollo Close Dorchester DT1 2QP

Erect single storey infill extension to front elevation.

South Ward (Councillors R. Potter and M. Rennie)

S1. P/FUL/2025/03138 Joseph Weld House Herringston Road Dorchester DT1 2SL

Erection of single storey extension to create out patient unit & alterations to the existing car park.

S2. P/HOU/2025/03543 5A Grosvenor Road Dorchester DT1 2BB

Erect single storey rear extension.

Poundbury Ward (Councillors R. Biggs, F. Hogwood and D. Leaper)

No applications received to date.

For Information

FI1. P/PALH/2025/03250 10 Martyr Close Dorchester DT1 2RP

Erect rear extension: To extend 4.70 metres beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling house: maximum height 2.60 metres: height to eaves 2.60.

Circulated to all Councillors 16/06/25.

Agenda Item 4
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Minute Update Report

1) Parking in Dorchester (Minute 60 of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on 7 April 2025)

To note the update received from Dorset Council regarding the proposed parking review:

"The ongoing parking review will take a comprehensive view of the challenges faced by residents across Dorset who struggle to park near their homes.

It will consider existing residents' parking schemes, the current residents' parking policy, and feedback received from the public both to date and through future engagement.

Early findings from the review (which is scheduled for completion in September) will be presented and discussed at the Place and Resources Overview Committee meeting on 15 July, with a consultation planned for the summer.

The insights gathered will help shape a range of potential opportunities and changes, which will be presented to members. Final decisions on any new policy will be made by Cabinet in the Autumn."

2) Highways Alteration, London Road Request (Minute 28 of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on 4 November 2024)

Please note a summary of the update received from Dorset Council's Public Transport & Infrastructure Officer regarding the request from Dorchester Transport Action Group for a bus stop and traffic island in London Road:

The Committee noted previously that due to the width of the carriageway it would not be possible to incorporate a traffic island.

- Accessibility concerns exist on the eastbound side, where the pavement is too narrow for safe ramp deployment.
- Installing a stop without full accessibility (including for wheelchair and mobility scooter users) would be counterproductive.
- Achieving full DDA compliance would require a pavement build-out, resulting in the loss of highway parking bays.
- The proposal has been referred to internal partners, including the highways improvement team, for potential inclusion in future works in the area.